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War Services Fund Opens National Campaign Mar. 24

Toronto—Six war service organizations which ordinarily appeal to the public separately for funds have united in one drive for \$5,182,160 under the name of "The Canadian War Services Fund". The campaign will open March 24th, General A. D. McRae, National Campaign Chairman, announced here today. It will be the only national campaign this year on behalf of them in uniform.

Included in the campaign, said General McRae, will be: Canadian Legion \$916,100; Salvation Army \$1,425,100; Y. M. C. A. \$1,741,000; Y. W. C. A. \$289,965; Knights of Columbus \$705,000; I. O. D. E. \$60,000. This leaves a margin of \$317,835 for the expansion which the campaign committee believes will be required by Canada's expanding war effort.

"These organizations have united in response to a growing public demand," explained General McRae. "It is unthinkable that we should have six or eight separate drives in time of war. By uniting, the organizations have removed the annoyance of numerous appeals, the duplication of effort and expense. For years business men, labour unions and newspapers have urged this step. Now the people are getting what they have demanded."

"Every cent of the net proceeds of the campaign will go to make camp life liveable for our men in uniform and to carry on the home services of certain of the organizations. Our people have been helping and will continue to help to buy guns, planes, ships and tanks. Now we can give to the lads themselves. They are real fighting men but they aren't cogs in a slaves' machine; they are entitled to what recreations and comforts we can give them. As His Excellency, the Earl of Athlone, has said: 'The comforts we give them are the evidences to them of the affection and thoughtfulness of the folks at home.'"

NEWS ITEMS FROM KINSELLA

Several cases of measles have been reported in town and district. Badger school has been closed.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Williams of Edmonton were visitors in town on Tuesday.

A dance will be held in Kinsella, March 28th.

Mr. Allan Barker spent a few days in Edmonton this week.

Mrs. Edith Lancaster returned from Edmonton on Tuesday.

The W. I. St. Patrick's dance held March 14 was well attended. Miss Clara Codd of Rodino district held the lucky ticket to the W. I. quilt.

The Kinsella women have made: 5 quilts, 5 girls' skirts, 5 pr. flannel pyjamas, 3 dresses, 2 wool scarves, 1 pair of mitts, 1 sweater and 1 towel to be sent to refugees.

CHURCH NOTICES

UNITED CHURCH

Sunday, March 23

Irma—Sunday school 11 a.m.

Public worship 7:30 p.m.

Mid-week service on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 o'clock.

Everyone cordially invited.

FULL GOSPEL CHURCH

Sunday Services:

Moos—Sunday school and church at 1:30 p.m.

Irma—7:45 p.m. (R. Feder res.)

ST. MARY'S

Service at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Mar. 23rd.

Irma Hockey Team Wins Gas Line Championship

IRMA HOCKEY TEAM WIN GAS LINE LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP FOR FIFTH CONSECUTIVE YEAR

N. Gordeau, R. Gordeau, Dorin, Schenley, James, Good, M. Grycan, B. Grycan, Crooks and Worton.

Irma had ten men in play: Inkin, Jones, Guiltner, Tory, Hughes, Smith, Hendricks, A. Sonneff, J. Sonneff, A. Glasgow.

Lance Umphrey of Ryley referred to the finals.

Congratulations are due the Irma team for their splendid win and their fifth consecutive victory in coping top honors in the Gas Line League.

The fourth game of the Gas line league playoffs was played in Irma on Thursday evening, March 12 before the largest audience to attend a hockey game this winter in Irma. The game opened up fast and held to the same pace all the way through. Smith assisted by Hendricks scored for Irma in the first period, the only goal of the period. In the second spasm M. Gordeau with Robinson for a team mate scored Holden's first goal followed by Robinson unassisted for number two. Irma tied up the score in the third period when Smith's shot placed the puck in the goal. The score at the end of regulation time was two all and ten minutes overtime was played with the result that neither team was able to break the tie. At the end of this game in a best three out of five game series Irma has won two games, Holden one and Irma one tie game. The ice for this fourth game was fairly hard but a little rough. Previous to this game the Holden boys refused to come down here unless a neutral referee could be secured. Irma agreed to bring in L. Umphrey which they did at Holden's expense. Mr. Umphrey did a fair job but not any better than R. L. Martin would have done.

The winning goal came in almost at the end of the third period when Jim Sonneff shot the winning marker for Irma. This was Jim's first year in senior hockey and he got a lot of credit for getting the priceless counter. From the onlookers point of view, and there were many in attendance, the Irma team had the edge on the play throughout but Holden kept pressing all the time. The Holden team had quite a few rooters who came to cheer them on, and Irma wasn't lacking in this respect either, as the game was witnessed by one of the biggest crowds of the season.

Holden brought along 13 players as follows: Liden, Robinson, Logan, McFerran, Doris, Shantz, James, Good, R. Gordeau, Grycan and Crooks. IRMA—McRae, Jones, Guiltner, Tory, Hughes, Smith, Hendricks, Glasgo, A. Sonneff, J. Sonneff and A. Carter.

The fifth game was supposed to have been played the following evening March 14th but the weather turned so warm there was no ice. However a storm came up that evening and temperatures dropped away down which made it possible to make new ice.

The fifth game was then played at Holden on March 17th and was won by Holden by 3 to 1. Arrangements were then made to play another game at Irma on Wednesday evening March 19th to try and break the tie.

Y.P.A. PLAY REAL SUCCESS

The play "Jimmy be Careful", put on by the members of the Irma Young People's Ass'n of the United Church and coached by Mrs. Longmire was splendidly done and appreciated by the large crowd who attended.

It was a full three act play and had a real moral in conclusion. Those taking part were the Misses Marie Webber, Mina Currie, Doris Shotts, Katherine Patterson and Doris Anderson while the boys parts were taken by Messrs. Ray Locke, Bob Simmerman, Jeff Inklin, Max Webber, and Haviland Elford.

While space does not permit of making special mention of each character we would not attempt to choose the most outstanding, for it was the opinion of all that each one chosen for their particular part did a splendid piece of work, but mentioning a few highlights we might say that Bob Simmerman with only ten days to go did a swell job of filling in where the former actor had to drop out. That Max Webber as an Italian character is worthy of special mention both as to characterization and make-up. Then too Katherine Patterson as the Swede maid was well liked by all and that Haviland Elford as the kid brother gave the audience some real laughs as did Doris Anderson in the role of the spooled older daughter. The heavier parts taken by Ray Locke as "Jimmy", Mina Currie as Ella, Marie Webber as Maw were done in their usual fine style, while the part of Aunt Ella taken by Doris Shotts, and Jeff

READ IN THE HOME OF EVERY RESIDENT IN THE IRMA TRADING AREA.

Government to Pay for Land Not Sown to Wheat

Quota System of Delivery to be Retained

GOVERNMENT WILL PAY FARMERS FOR ACREAGE NOT SOWN TO WHEAT

OTTAWA, March 12—(CP)—The Dominion government will continue an initial payment of 70 cents a bushel on wheat in 1941-42, Hon. James A. MacKinnon trade minister announced in the Commons today.

A limit of 230,000,000 bushels has been set on the amount of wheat to be delivered to the Canadian Wheat Board on the open market or otherwise and it is hoped this amount can be sold in domestic and export markets.

The quota system of delivery at elevators will be continued and these quotas will be based on the production from 65 per cent of the 1940 acreage. "The first quota will be a general one and will allow delivery of the same amount of wheat per acre from every farmer," said Mr. MacKinnon. "The second and following quotas will be certain proportions of the 1940 yield for the farmer's shipping point; that is a high yield point in 1941 will have a higher quota per acre than a low yield point."

"This plan of quotas will operate only if total production provides a marketable surplus of 230,000,000 bushels." The wheat board will continue to pay storage on the same basis as in 1940-41, that is two bushels of a bushel a month, but only on the un-delivered portion of the 230,000,000 bushels.

Albert District News

The Albert Local U.F.A. will hold a special meeting in the school on Saturday, March 29 at 2 o'clock.

Mr. J. Robertson left on the river on Thursday to join his husband at Ft. William.

L. H. Bars took a truck load of hockey fans to the Irma-Holden game on Thursday.

The Albert School children will hold a sale of work followed by a short program and other entertainment at the school on Friday evening, March 29th. Proceeds in aid of the Red Cross. Come and have a good time.

Mrs. R. C. Johnson entertained at dinner and cards on Tuesday evening, March 11th. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. L. Bars, J. Bars and David; Mr. and Mrs. R. Hay and Arthur; O. Griffiths and J. Jandl.

We are looking forward to Mr. R. Johnson going in by his new truck (Mrs. J. Jones has been on the sick list. We are pleased to report that she is somewhat improved in health.

Inkin in the roll of the faithful swain in for some good acting.

The stage setting worked out by Mr. Longmire and the splendid job of coach and manager by Mrs. Longmire should come in for special thanks.

Following the play "the cast" and friends were entertained by the Y.P.A. members at the home of Mrs. Ed. Elford, where they all enjoyed a sumptuous luncheon.

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The Wheat Surplus Problem

With the approach of another season of seeding, farmers of Western Canada are facing a serious problem, perhaps one of the most serious problems they have ever had to face since the plow was first put into the virgin soil of the prairies. It can be summed up in a single question: "How many acres shall I seed to wheat this spring?"

The question is not a new one. It crops up every season and each time it has to be faced, it has to be considered and reconsidered in the light of so many unknown factors, that it is always a difficult question to answer. This year it is fraught with even greater complexities, due to a very large surplus accumulated and at present undisposable and other factors attributable to the exigencies of a state of war.

One of the greatest of these imponderables, of course, is the duration of the war. How long is the war going to last before Hitler and Nazism are crushed? If one had the power of occult vision and could peer into the future, one of these unknowns could be translated into the known, but unfortunately this cannot be done. Even if the answer to that question could be determined with any degree of certitude, there would still remain unanswered: What demand will there be for this accumulating mound of bread grain among the liberated nations in Europe when they have been released from bondage? That, too, must go unanswered for the present.

It is the duty and the function of the Western Canadian farmer, as his contribution towards the war effort, to provide enough wheat to feed the fighting forces of Great Britain and Canada and the civilian populations of both countries. To date this obligation is not only being met to the full but has been exceeded so magnificently that there is now a full year's crop or more in storage, after allowing for all these needs, the result of an increased acreage sown to wheat since the war started and a good all round yield. The question the farmer now has to ask himself is whether he should continue to increase his wheat acreage, permit it to remain stationary or to reduce it.

Facing Alternatives

While prudence seems to demand wheat seeding on smaller scale, the farmer is haunted by the possibility that the war might collapse suddenly and that what now seems a tremendous surplus might melt like snow under a hot summer sun to feed a hungry Europe.

On the other hand, if the war is protracted, and some of the highest authorities, including Winston Churchill, predict several more years of conflict, the wisdom of continuing to pile surplus upon surplus is open to question.

Apparently the great majority of the people of this country, including the farmers themselves are willing to accept the prediction of a lengthy war, and, so far, events in the theatre of war point that way at present, and there is a general feeling that the time has arrived when the brakes should be put upon wheat production, in moderation. The farmers themselves, as a body, appear to have come to this conclusion.

Assuming that there is general accord on the premise that a reduction in wheat acreage is advisable, the farmer is next faced with the questions: How is it going to be achieved and what shall be done with the idle acreage?

The farmers, and their organizations without exception, have decided that there must be no compulsion in the matter. They have stated unanimously that wheat acreage shall not be reduced by government decree. In other words, by so doing, they have stated, in effect, that it is a problem which must be decided by the individual farmer for himself. This means, of course, that there will be no uniformity of plan. One farmer may reduce his wheat acreage 5 or 10 per cent., another may reduce it 50 or more per cent. The only alternative would be for the farmers to come to an agreement among themselves, through their own organizations on a general percentage reduction, but it is doubtful whether that would be practicable.

Other Considerations

However, when the individual farmer has decided to what extent he shall reduce his wheat acreage, he is faced with the question of the manner in which the excess acreage shall be utilized. Shall it be seeded to other cereal crops, shall a larger percentage of the farm be summerfallow, shall some of it be seeded to forage crops or grass for pasture, or some, or all of these purposes? Here again, the problem can only be solved by the individual farmer who must necessarily be guided by his own circumstances and conditions, depending upon the uses to which he can put such crops, the suitability of the soil, the availability of seed, the disposition of the product, the possibility of fitting them in with the existing condition of the farm and many other factors.

A useful lead in this direction was given recently by the Saskatchewan minister of agriculture when he pointed out that a dangerous condition exists in the agriculture of that province, stating that along with increased wheat acreage, there has been a marked increase in livestock production but a substantial diminution in provision for feed, and declared that with another year of drought farmers would face famine for their livestock and famine for their families. He pointed to the importance of every farmer who raises livestock, having a year's supply of feed in reserve as an insurance policy against such a contingency. For many farmers in all three prairie provinces such a program would enable some reduction to be made in wheat acreage and at the same time would be a wise precaution.

Gardens in England

In Spite of War People Still Will Have Their Flowers

A Central Ontario bulb grower has received an order from England for a large quantity of gladioli. It was for 75 varieties in lots of hundreds and thousands, and the recipient of the order had to call on dozens of growers in the district to help fill it.

The head of the English firm sending the order appended this paragraph: "Although bombs may be spoiling our homes, we are still busy with our gardens. We are still carrying on. There will always be an England, and a floral one as well."

People who can think of gladioli when bombs are nightly visitors have to be admired. The Ontario growers—some of them from The Netherlands—say they are proud to be able to fill this order.—Ottawa Journal.

One species of fish makes its home inside the body of another marine animal, the sea cucumber.

There are about 25 species, including 350 varieties, of woodpeckers in the United States.

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Consider The Ant

Scientist Says Insects Have Been Winning The Race For Survival

In a neck-and-neck race for survival, man is lagging behind the ant, according to Prof. William T. Heron, a University of Minnesota psychologist.

"It seems to me that up to now the small-brained insects have been winning the race," he said.

The reason for this, he explained, is that man-made civilization has gone in cycles while ants and similar insects—flies, social beetles and bees—have continued steadily for 15,000,000 years.

Their survival is due, Heron said, to control of reproduction and strict division of labor, "more organized than man's in some instances." Man's civilization, however, developed because man's brains enables him to adapt himself to new situations while ants' instinct is sufficient only to meet all situations in the same manner.

Women Inspectors

Five women from the British criminal investigation department have been drafted into the special branch at Scotland Yard that deals with political and international investigations. Their new duties will take them into night clubs and the haunts of the wealthy following up clues of dangerous undesirables.

It's been suggested that Italy may switch over and come in on Britain's side. No, thank you. We had them once.



Amazing Episode

Real Story That Banks With Fictional Epics Of The Sea

All the sea stories of Melville, Conrad and McFee together contain no more amazing episode than that of the Windsor Castle.

Last November, according to one of her passengers, the Windsor Castle, two days out of Glasgow, was attacked by Nazi bombers. There was a direct hit with a 550-pound bomb, which crashed down through her super-structure. For awful seconds the passengers waited for the end. But the bomb, having smashed its way down to the engine room, lay silent, grim, menacing. It did not explode.

Nobody aboard knew how to remove the fuse. Nobody knew what minute, what second, the deadly thing might tear the ship to splinters. And for two days the ship raced for Glasgow, the passengers standing by the lifeboats, the engineers nursing their mighty engines with instant death at their elbows. None knew at what second a time fuse, or some jar or concussion might bring the explosion. For two days passengers and crew lived intently with death.

Then Glasgow was sighted, and experts came hurrying out to render the bomb harmless. Only a master touch in the telling is needed to make this real episode take rank with all fictional epics of the sea.—Navy service.

Wearble Flies

The Campaign Against These Pests Is Under Way

The farmers of Western Canada have suffered great losses through wearbles, which are usually caused by the use of Warble Fly Powder.

The Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture, through the Livestock Branch, is putting on a campaign to combat the pest. The campaign requires the co-operation of the owners and the municipal authorities.

The great and needless loss that the Warble grubs cause to cattle makes them to be appreciated by those stockmen who usually visit tanneries and leather warehouses and inspect the hides. The best of the hide, that is, the section along the neck, is ruined, and consequently cattle never pay enough to cover dollars per head less for cattle affected with Warbles than for equally good cattle free from Warbles.

The loss to Saskatchewan farmers is least one-quarter of a million dollars per year, and probably a half million.

Besides the loss through the hides, there is also the discomfort and pain caused to cattle.

Cows affected give less milk and beef cattle so infested give fatten less speedily, so that there is considerable loss from this point alone.

These two flies that cause Warbles, the Warble Fly and the Head Fly, The Head Fly darts repeatedly at the cattle and lays a single egg each time it strikes, but the proper Warble Fly settles on the animal and lays a string of eggs simultaneously.

Information regarding these pests can be obtained by writing to the Livestock Branch at Regina. Cattle are terrified of the Head Fly, that they lose a lot of weight and are not thrifty when Head Flies attack them.

Prevention is very simple. It consists of using standard Warble Fly Powder, which contains Rotenone.

Derm, and washing the back of the animal with oil or fat week intervals during the spring months. Applications can be made with a cloth or brush. If warbles are destroyed before they leave the back of the animal, however, there will be no adult flies the following season to again infect the cattle.

As these flies do not travel far, a farmer can largely reduce the infection of his own herd, even if other farmers may attempt to spread the terror of warbles, but it is very much better for an entire district to treat all of the cattle contained therein.

The Department is prepared to sell Warble Fly Powder at a greatly reduced price to municipalities and absorb the loss between the standard price and the special price.

Municipalities are invited to place their order with the Department and will be supplied at a cost of approximately one cent per pound for three treatments.

If farmers of this province will purchase this powder and go to a little trouble they can save many thousands of dollars by paying the proper proportionate amount for themselves.

The first treatment should be given during the month of March, the second in April, and the third in May.

Local merchants are urged to get in touch with their nearest distributor and secure this powder at once.

Further particulars can be secured by writing to the Livestock Branch of the Department of Agriculture.

A rich man must hire a valet, a laundress, a cook, a secretary and a housekeeper—but the poor man just gets married.

Kangaroos are protected by law in Australia. Their hides are in great demand.

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Establish Training Centres

New System Of Training For The Canadian Army

Defence Minister Ralston gave an outline of the new system of training schools for the Canadian army in the House of Commons.

It embraces 58 instructional schools and involves the consolidation of the reserve and active army training centres which formerly operated separately. The reserve army training centres, 39 in number, were set up when compulsory training was introduced last summer.

He summarized active training centres as follows:

Artillery 4, engineers 2, signals 1, armored corps 2, infantry 7, machine guns 2, army service corps 2, ordnance corps 1 and army medical corps 1.

"This tabulation shows a total of 22 advanced training centres," said Col. Ralston. "Then, in addition, to that there is a unit area training centre, two officers training centres, 29 basic centres and two others, making a total of 34 basic training centres, which, added to the 22 active training centres makes a total of 56. Then, there are two instruction schools, making 58 in all."

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Using Traffic Lanes

How U.S. Officials Think Nazi U-Boats Will Operate

Predicting the pattern of Germany's spring sea offensive against British shipping, authorities at Washington said that each one of the scores of submarines employed probably would be assigned "lone wolf" roles within neighboring but distinct areas of the sea.

They expressed belief that the tactics now employed by the Germans, and destined to be used with increasing force when the weather improves, follow this outline:

The sea around Britain is divided by the German navy's high command into "traffic lanes," each a mile to five miles wide and paralleling one another.

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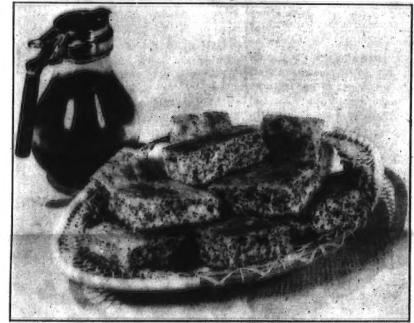
One day the editor of a small weekly newspaper called at the White House, and told Mr. Lincoln that he was the first man to suggest his name for the Presidency, producing an editorial from a frayed copy of his paper to prove it.

"Do you really think you started the ball rolling?" asked Lincoln.

"Absolutely!" replied the editor. "The suggestion was so opportune that it moved other papers to advocate your selection, and as a result you were nominated and elected."

Remembering an appointment at the War Department, Lincoln sighed deeply, and bade the editor good-by. "Don't feel too badly about what you have done," he said. "I forgive you."

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BUTTERMILK BRAN PAN BREAD IS POPULAR FOR LATE BREAKFAST OR SUNDAY SUPPER PARTY

2 tablespoons shortening 1 cup buttermilk
1/4 cup sugar 1 1/4 cups flour
1 egg 1 teaspoon salt
1 cup all-bran 2 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 teaspoon soda

Blend shortening and sugar thoroughly; add egg and beat until creamy. Add all-bran and buttermilk; let soak until most of moisture is taken up. Sift flour with salt, baking powder and soda, and add to first mixture stirring only until flour disappears. Pour into greased pan and bake in moderately hot oven (425 degrees F.) for about 25 minutes. Cut into squares and serve while hot.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S GREAT SPEECH
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"There is no longer the slightest question or doubt, that the American people recognize the extreme seriousness of the present situation. That is why they have demanded, and got, a policy of unqualified, immediate, all out aid for Britain, Greece, China and all for the governments in exile whose homelands are temporarily occupied by the aggressors."

"From now on that aid will be increased—and yet again increased—until total victory has been won."

British morale is now "stronger than ever," the president said. The British people are "braced for invasion whenever the attempt may come—tomorrow—next week—next month."

In Winston Churchill they are "blessed with a brilliant and great leader."

But the essence of their morale is that "one essential fact" is completely clear in the minds of the masses of the British people. This is that "they would rather die as free men than live as slaves."

These "plain people," civilians and soldiers alike, Mr. Roosevelt said, are "fighting in the front line of civilization" and holding that line with a fortitude which will forever be the pride and inspiration of all free men everywhere. But, he added:

"The British people and their Greek allies need ships. From America they will get ships."

"They need planes. From America they will get planes."

"They need food. From America they will get food."

"They need tanks and guns and ammunition and supplies of all kinds. From America they will get tanks and guns and ammunition and supplies of all kinds."

"China likewise expressed the magnificent will of millions of plain people to resist the dismemberment of their nation. China through Generalissimo, Chiang Kai-Shek, asks our help."

"Our country is going to be what our people have proclaimed it must be—the arsenal of democracy."

"Our country is going to play its full part."

Whist drive in the Lodge hall on Saturday March 22nd. Good prizes, lunch served. Admission 25¢ each. Time 8:30. Auspices O.L.O.B.A.

The regular meeting of the Rosemary and Alma Master Ladies Aid will be held on Thursday, March 27th in the home of Mrs. George Yonker.

Mrs. Longmire will have charge of devotional and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. R. Oldham are assisting hostesses. Friends and neighbors are always welcome.

And as each old player steps out of the band,

And crosses the river into that strange land,

He'll think of the roarin' old game right away,

And walk proudly up to St. Peter and say:

"I just came across and I'm looking up men

That played hockey at Irma rink now and then.

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LOCALS

Mr. E. E. Sharkey visited relatives in Edmonton last week end and took in the farewell party for his son Ed.

A number of people are again suffering from bad colds but the measles seem to have run their course for this winter.

Mrs. R. S. Lissom of Jarrold has been confined to the Wainwright Hospital from an attack of pneumonia.

Mr. Foxwell appears to be gradually recovering from his recent illness. At the time of writing he was still in the Wainwright Hospital.

A Wabasso demonstration will be held in Heddle hall on April 2nd to 5th.

The hockey club dance advertised for March 17th and postponed to the 18th was called off on account of bad roads.

The C.C.F. are sponsoring another military whist drive in Heddle Hall on Saturday March 29th.

Miss Althea Knudson visited at her home here last Sunday.

Mr. Floyd Fuder of Edmonton was a visitor in Irma last week end.

Mr. Chas. Wilbraham spent a few days in Edmonton this week.

Mrs. W. H. Osterhout will hold an auction sale at her residence, Irma, on March 28th. The articles for sale consist of a quantity of farm machinery and household goods. For further particulars see sale bills.

A farewell party for Mr. and Mrs. Albert Howard, 9802, 73 Ave., Edmonton, Alberta. In honor of L. Cpl. E. Sharkey of Irma, Alta. He was presented with a signet ring from the guests which were: Mrs. Verna Webb, Mr. and Mrs. A. Keith, Mr. and Mrs. R. Quinlan, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. A. Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Quinlan, Miss Bebbie Sharkey of Cranbrook, B.C., Mr. E. E. Sharkey, Irma, Alberta, Mr. Art Larson.

Whist drive in the Lodge hall on Saturday March 22nd. Good prizes, lunch served. Admission 25¢ each. Time 8:30. Auspices O.L.O.B.A.

The regular meeting of the Rosemary and Alma Master Ladies Aid will be held on Thursday, March 27th in the home of Mrs. George Yonker.

Mrs. Longmire will have charge of devotional and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. B. Oldham are assisting hostesses. Friends and neighbors are always welcome.

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WATCHIN' THE GAME

Into Ben's garage stormed a man of the road,

He puffed like an adder and hopped like a toad.

"My old Lizzie is bust," he said to the clerk,

"She grunts and she groans and she's kicked off her skirt.

New where in the heck is the boss, tell me that.

For I can't run my bus with all tires flat."

Said the clerk, "You come back when things are more quiet.

For everything here is sure in a riot,

Have a heart, have a heart, for I'm not to blame,

He's down at the rink a-watchin' the game."

A man called Doc Greenberg one night for a pain,

"I've got to have help" said the man,

"or go lame."

And I've got to get out and mighty quick too,

I've missed so much now that I'm all black and blue.

The wife has gone out and the nurse is in bed,

If I don't get some help, I will soon be dead."

Then answered the doc, as he put on his hat,

"I think you'll get well on a bottle of that,

But if you get worse and need more of the same,

I'll be down at the rink a-watchin' the game."

Now the staid undertaker sat all alone,

With a smile on his face and his ear to the phone,

"Some business" he mused, as he bustled about,

For the message has been, "Old Bill has gone out."

So tied to Bill's door knob a big bunch of crepe,

Sedately walked in and unrolled his tape,

But there on the bed instead of the dead,

Lay a piece of cardboard, and from it he read:

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